

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

SCOTT A. WITZKE,

Plaintiff

v.

Case No. 2:16-13753
District Judge Arthur J. Tarnow
Magistrate Judge Anthony P. Patti

RUSS MARLAN and
ALEX J. SMITH,

Defendants.

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**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION TO WAIVE
FEES FOR USER ACCESS TO PACER (DE 35)**

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See www.pacer.gov. Currently before the Court is the above-described motion, which was filed on October 20, 2017 and in which Plaintiff relies upon *Ogilvie v. Millsaps*, No. 8:15-CV-2477-T-36JSS, 2015 WL 6688343, at *1 (M.D. Fla. Oct. 30, 2015) ("In considering whether to grant an exemption, courts must find that the individual seeking an exemption has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote access to information.") (citing www.pacer.gov).

Upon consideration, Plaintiff's *ex parte* motion to waive fees for user access to PACER (DE 35) is **GRANTED**. Plaintiff currently resides in a halfway house (DE 35 at 4), and the Court finds good cause for the fee waiver requested in this particular case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 14, 2017

s/Anthony P. Patti

Anthony P. Patti
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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s/Michael Williams
Case Manager for the
Honorable Anthony P. Patti